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UNITED STATES.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Yellow fever on steamship Hiram from Puerto Cortez at Gulf Quarantine, Miss.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Wille reports June 6 and 7 as follows:

I have the honor to report that the steamship *Hiram* of the United Fruit Company, with 29 fugitive passengers and 14 crew, from Puerto Cortez via Mobile arrived at this station at 5 p. m. of the 3d instant with 2 cases of sickness, upon which Dr. J. H. White, of this Service, and Doctor Goldthwaite, of the Mobile health board, made a provisional diagnosis of yellow fever.

Since the arrival of these patients the above diagnosis is confirmed. One of these cases was a child 9 years of age.

The child died yesterday, June 5, at 3 p. m., with marked toxæmic cerebral depression, black vomit, and moderate albuminuria.

The other patient is at present desperately ill with absolute suppression of urine. I have no hope of his recovery.

The type of the disease in these instances is very severe. The situation is well in hand, and I have no reason to suspect that new cases will develop, as the steamer was disinfected with sulphur prior to her departure from Puerto Cortez and upon her arrival here. No *Stegomyia* were found, neither were any mosquitoes observed by any of the passengers while en route.

JUNE 7, 1905.

Referring to my letter of the 6th instant, with reference to the Norwegian steamship *Hiram*, which arrived at this station June 3 from Puerto Cortez via Mobile with 2 cases of yellow fever, I have the honor to state that the second patient died of uremic coma last night, the 6th instant. There are no new developments on board the steamer.

Provisional sulphurization was done on the evening of the 3d instant, shortly after arrival, and final disinfection, with baggage well exposed and distributed, on the morning of the 4th instant.

Report from Gulfport, Miss.—Sanitary conditions in city and shipping good.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Sheely reports, June 6, as follows:

This port and city have been in a very healthy condition during the week just past, as regards both the shipping and the population.

INSPECTION SERVICE, MEXICAN BORDER.

Inspection at Eagle Pass, Tex.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hume reports as follows:

	Week ended June 4, 1905.
Persons inspected on trains	174
Persons held	0